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Vienna, March 18. N. S.

THE Earl of Peterborough, who came hither the 23d of the last Month, having had his Audience of his Imperial Majesty the 25th, has since been frequently in Conference with the Ministers of this Court; and as the States-General have instructed their Minister here, to join with his Lordship in whatever Instances he shall make on the several Articles he is order'd by the Queen of Great Britain to solicit, there is no reason to doubt but he will succeed in his Negotiations. The late Interview between Prince Ragotski and Marshal Palfi gave us some grounds to hope that the Troubles in Hungary were drawing to a Conclusion. Since that Interview Monsieur Locker, Secretary of War, has been sent with full Instructions on that Affair, and has Orders not to Treat with Prince Ragotski for himself and his Adherents only in general Terms, but singly, and separately with every Officer of Distinction, as well as the Prince, and to offer them a full Indemnity for what is past, provided they submit and return to their Obedience. He is likewise to grant them three Weeks time to consider of this Offer from his Imperial Majesty; and whereas several Families have remov'd with their Effects into Moldavia and Walachia, they have six Weeks allowed them before they are required to give in their Answer. Before Monsieur Locker left this Place, the English and Dutch Ministers offer'd to send a Letter by him to Prince Ragotski, as a means to incline him the more readily to comply; but his Imperial Majesty thought it not proper to admit of it, least the Malecontents shou'd be encourag'd not to capitulate when they perceiv'd the Queen of Great Britain and the States-General continued to Interest themselves in their behalf; however, tho' this Offer has been rejected, there is no doubt but the Earl of Peterborough will be allow'd to make use of all manner of good Offices, and to interfere so as to be instrumental in Prince Ragotski's Submission and Capitulation. In the mean time we are assur'd that there are great Heats and Divisions among the Malecontents, which it is hop'd will be a means to hasten an Accommodation, and thereby leave the Emperor at liberty to employ the Forces in Hungary, which amount to two and fifty Thousand Men, in other Services of greater Importance to the Common Cause. Marshal Staremberg having earnestly desired to be re-call'd out of Spain, on account of the ill State of his Health, has at length declared, that he will remain there no longer than 'till the Succours design'd for Catalonia are arriv'd. It is thought Count Thaur will be sent to succeed him, in case the Marshal cannot be prevail'd upon to continue any longer in that Service; tho' it is certain Count Thaur wou'd gladly be excus'd, and makes use of the Interest of all his Friends for that purpose.

Dresden, March 24. N. S. Count Wackerbath set out from hence on Saturday last in the Morning for Vienna, where he is to take upon him his former Character of Envoy from his Polish Majesty to the Emperor. It is probable that he will not make a long Stay at that Court, but may return back before the King leaves this Place, since the Palatin of Kiovia follow'd him this Morning, and is appointed to reside at Vienna in Quality of Envoy-Extraordinary from the King and Republick of Poland. Our Letters from the North advise, that the twelve thousand Muscovites which his Czarish Majesty is obliged by Treaty to furnish to the Republick of Poland, are to be commanded by General Janus, who is preparing to put himself at the Head of them. Several of his Majesty's Engineers have receiv'd Orders to repair forthwith, and view the Posts on the Oder. Such places as are the most accessible will be fortified, and the Troops of the Militia will be posted in what Stations those Engineers shall judge most convenient to oppose the Swedes in Pomerania, in case they shou'd attempt to make an Irruption into this Electorate. Tho' several Letters of a former Date have affirm'd, that the King of Sweden was preparing with all Expedition to leave Bender, yet those that are just arriv'd, assure us his Majesty was still there, nor was there any time fix'd for his Departure from thence.

Brussels, March 30. N. S. Our Letters from Tournay of the 27th advise, that Lieutenant-General Cadogan had possess'd himself, without any Opposition, of all the Posts of consequence on the Scarpe and Deule, and that the greatest diligence was used in Fortifying the Abbies of Hannon and Anchin. The Detachments to be made out of the Imperial Troops for their proportion of the Cantonment, are ordered to March out of their respective Garrisons, and join the rest of the Forces near Orchies. The French continue to be very much alarm'd at these Motions, and all the Troops on the Frontiers have receiv'd Orders to be in a readiness to March on the first Notice. The Enemy propos'd to begin to Canton on the 26th a Body of Troops near Landrecy; but Advices of that date from Valenciennes say it will be impossible for them to have a tolerable Army in the Field before the 25th of the next Month. Monsieur de Maillebois, and the other French Hostages left at Lille, found means to escape out of the Town, and were met at Pont a Vendin by a Detachment of the Enemy's Troops, and conducted to Arras. They excuse their flight upon a Pretence of having certain Information, that it had been resolved in Holland to confine them to the Cittadel of Lille, which they say is contrary to the Capitulation. We have nothing of moment from Paris, where they now no longer threaten Barcelona, but give out, that they shall begin their Operations in Catalonia with the Siege of Tarragona.

Hague, March 31. N. S. There being no appearance that our Army will assemble before the 20th